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Her Worship Bonnie Crombie
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Dear Chair Iannicca and Mayor Crombie:

It was a pleasure meeting with you and your delegations at the 2021 Virtual Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference regarding the payments in-lieu of taxes (PILT) for the Greater Toronto Airports Authority and COVID-19 financial support for municipalities. I would also like to thank you, Mayor Crombie, for your recent letter providing further detail on these issues, including transit funding under the Safe Restart Agreement.

We truly appreciate the opportunity to hear from you about the issues that are important to your community. Please be assured, the Province understands the City and Region's concerns regarding the impact of reduced passenger volumes on the annual PILT payment, and in particular, implications that the five per cent cap on annual increases could have on the future PILT amounts paid by the Greater Toronto Airports Authority. I understand ministry staff recently held constructive discussions with city officials on this matter and are continuing to engage at the staff level. The government continues to consult on possible approaches to address this issue and appreciates your advice.

Since the onset of the pandemic, our government has focused on protecting people's health and the economy, as well as helping businesses and municipalities address critical challenges.

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As you know, the Province has provided significant support to Ontario's municipalities to assist them with the pandemic and recovery, and our priority right now is on the health and safety of our communities and getting through this difficult time.

With respect to Mississauga's concerns about transit funding under the Safe Restart Agreement, I would encourage you to discuss your concerns with my colleague, the Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation, who is responsible for this funding and who I have copied on this letter.

We remain committed to working with our municipal partners to protect the long-term stability of our province and recover from this pandemic in a way that is responsible and sustainable.

Thank you again for the opportunity to discuss these important issues with you.

Sincerely,



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